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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6716**

**BILL NUMBER:** SB 236

**DATE PREPARED:** Dec 11, 2001

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Eligibility for SSACI programs.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X **GENERAL**  
**DEDICATED**  
**FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill provides eligibility to participate in financial aid programs administered by the state student assistance commission (SSACI) to dependent students who graduate from high school in this state and who reside in this state with a blood relative other than the student's parent. (Under current law, a student who meets this description but who has a parent living outside of this state is not eligible to participate in SSACI programs.)

**Effective Date:** Upon passage.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** SSACI has denied few applications because a dependent's parents are not residing in Indiana, but the student resides with a blood relative. The number denied in the past is probably less than ten. The average award for FY 2001 is \$2,185, so the bill would probably have minor fiscal impact. If the change in the eligibility did affect the number of applications dramatically, then SSACI would have to either reduce the average grant or limit the number of approved applications so the distribution did not exceed the appropriation.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** State Student Assistance Commission.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:** Nick Vesper, State Student Assistance Commission, (317) 233-5094.